

# **IHSA Dual Team Tournament Procedures**

## **U.S. Cellular Coliseum**

### **Bloomington, Illinois**

Since your school has qualified for the 2009 IHSA Dual Team Wrestling State Final Tournament at the U.S. Cellular Coliseum, Bloomington, Illinois, you should review information in this bulletin with your coaches, your wrestlers and their parent(s). It will make your trip to the State Tournament a more enjoyable experience.

**ADMISSION:** All coaches and wrestlers who have been issued a Participant Pass may enter through the Pass Gate. When entering, you must display your Participant Pass to the doorman. **YOU WILL NOT BE ADMITTED WITHOUT DISPLAYING YOUR PARTICIPANT PASS. ONLY 26 WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE FLOOR.**

#### **Friday, February 27, 2009**

##### **PRACTICE:**

**Open Practice 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. at the U.S. Cellular Coliseum, Bloomington. Doors will not open prior to 5:30 p.m.**

#### **Saturday, February 28, 2009**

##### **SESSION TIMES AND WEIGH IN--**

###### **Session One:**

6:00 a.m. (Doors open for teams)

7:00 a.m. -- Weigh in

8:00 a.m. -- Doors Open

9:00 a.m. -- Quarterfinals (6 mats) Upper Bracket matches in Class 1A, 2A and 3A

11:00 a.m. -- (Approx.) Quarterfinals (6 mats) Lower Bracket matches in Class 1A, 2A and 3A

1:30 p.m. (Approx.) -- Semifinals (6 mats) Semi-finals in Class 1A, 2A and 3A

#### **Saturday, February 28, 2009**

##### **Session Two:**

5:00 p.m. -- Doors Open

6:00 p.m. -- Class 1A, 2A and 3A Consolation

6:00 p.m. -- Class 1A, 2A and 3A Championship

##### **LOCKER ROOMS:**

Locker rooms will be open at 6:00 a.m. and available to change and shower. All bags must be taken into the Coliseum and placed next to your chairs. **Official** weigh-in begins at 7:00 a.m. for all Classes. Since locker rooms are not assigned, coaches, managers, and athletes should make arrangements to protect their belongings and should not leave any valuables unprotected in the locker room during their warm-up, during competition, press conferences or award presentations. Teams should provide their own towels.

### **TICKET POLICY:**

Tickets will be sold at the U.S. Cellular Coliseum on Saturday, February 28, 2009. Doors will be open to the general public one hour before each session.

Ticket prices established by the IHSA for the IHSA State Team Tournament are as follows:

*Session I (Quarterfinal/Semifinal)	\$7.00
Session II (Final Session)	\$7.00

\*Fans will be able to exit during the sessions and re-enter with hand stamp.

### **HOW SCHOOL PRESS CREDENTIALS ARE ISSUED:**

School Media Passes need to be requested by the Principal prior to Thursday, February 26. The Passes must be picked up at the Pass Gate at the U. S. Cellular Coliseum.

### **VARSITY CHEERLEADERS:**

Each school competing in the State Team Tournament will be allowed to use the number of cheerleaders who participated at the varsity level during the regular season, as well as the school varsity mascot during the schools meet. Live mascots other than humans must be approved in advance by the Tournament Manager and the IHSA. **NO PASSES ARE REQUIRED** but each cheerleader must be in uniform and accompanied by the cheerleader sponsor through the **PASS GATE**. The varsity cheerleader squad and its sponsor will be admitted as a group at one time only. Uniformed varsity school mascots must accompany the varsity cheerleaders into the tournament. Cheerleaders will be required to cheer from the stands.

### **PASSES:**

Schools qualifying for the Dual Team Wrestling State Final will receive twenty-six (26) **Participant Passes** to be used as required by the Terms and Conditions and three **(3) Official Passes** to be used by school administration. Official Passes will allow access to the north side Media area only – not to the mat area. School Media Passes need to be requested by the Principal prior to Thursday. They will be available at the Pass Gate. **Three (3) Parking Passes** for the Roosevelt Street Parking Garage are also enclosed.

### **ACCESS TO COMPETITION FLOOR:**

Your **Participant Pass**, properly displayed, will allow you access to the Competition Floor at times when your wrestler(s) are competing. You **WILL NOT** be allowed access to the Competition Floor without proper display of your **Participant Pass**. Only 26 passes will be allowed mat side. This means only 26 people from your school are allowed on the floor.

### **LOSS OF PARTICIPANT PASS:**

Duplicate **Participant Passes** for wrestlers and/or coaches **WILL NOT** be issued in the event they are lost or stolen. You and/or your wrestler(s) may gain access to the U. S. Cellular Coliseum with a paid ticket for admission.

### **MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

(1) There will be trainers available during all sessions. Coaches should contact trainers on duty to discuss any potential problems or medical emergencies. (2) Should you desire to bring your own team physician or trainer, school(s) may notify Dave Gannaway at the IHSA Office and request one (1) Licensed Athletic Trainer/Medical Practitioner Pass. This pass will allow that person to be on your team bench and will not count as one of the allotted 26 Participant Passes.

### **PRESS AREA:**

Seating is assigned to working press and official tournament personnel only. Please inform your wrestlers and members of your official party that the press area is designed to accommodate members of the working press and official tournament personnel only, and not wrestlers or coaches.

### **VIDEO TAPE EQUIPMENT:**

Self-contained videotape equipment is permissible, but equipment will not be allowed to be positioned in such a fashion as to prevent spectators and/or other competitors and coaches from viewing the competition. Areas not previously assigned may also be used by school personnel. Power will not be available, please make arrangements to provide necessary battery packs. Under no circumstances shall a non-news media (meaning spectator and/or school) videotape crew be permitted access on the competition floor videotaping competition during any session of the tournament. Approved non-news media videotape crews for each team will be given priority.

### **CORRECTIONS IN PROGRAM INFORMATION:**

Please make sure corrections concerning wrestlers from your school (name spelling, year in school, season record, etc.) are given to the scorers at the mats when they first wrestle, and for every bout thereafter, so that corrections may be made on the score charts posted from you school and will be duplicated correctly.

### **CORRECTIONS IN TOURNAMENT RECORDS, DATA:**

Please check the tournament records and other data included in the official program to make sure that we have proper information involving your school and/or wrestlers from your school who hold tournament records. If you find a mistake, please inform the tournament manager as soon as possible.

### **AWARD PRESENTATIONS:**

Will be on Saturday night immediately following the final match. Each coach will be responsible for keeping his wrestlers in order on the mat immediately after the conclusion of the meet. At the conclusion of the final meet, the medallions and the 4th place trophies will be presented on the mat, followed by the presentation of medallions and the third place trophies to the third place teams, etc. **Again, a reminder that team pictures will be taken immediately after the presentations of medallions and trophy for each team. NOTE: No hats may be worn during the awards presentation.**

### **BUS PARKING:**

All team buses should drop off their teams at the Roosevelt Street Entrance and ask for directions for Bus Parking.

**SPORTSMANSHIP:**

Spectators attending the IHSA State Team Tournament are expected to conduct themselves in a proper manner, and to practice good sportsmanship. The ticket of admission does not allow spectators access to restricted areas. Spectators who violate regulations and IHSA by-laws concerning crowd behavior, alcoholic beverages, etc., are subject to removal and/or arrest.

**RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PRINCIPAL:**

The principal of each member school is the official representative of the IHSA (Constitution 1.830) and is responsible for the conduct of official representatives of the school at activities conduct by the IHSA by-laws 2.030, 3.151, 6.011 and 6.012 shall be strictly enforced.

**REMINDER:**

Teams qualifying for the Dual Team State Final must present the Dual Team Wrestling Entry Form to the State Final Manager. **The forms must be turned in at weigh-in on February 28, 2009.**

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